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(RYAN)

INFORMED SOURCES TOLD HOW TRUE LOVE--WITH A TIMELY ASSIST FROM CONGRESS--TRIUMPHED OVER CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY RED TAPE IN THE CASE OF JUAN J. RYAN, 27, AND HIS IRISH COLLEEN BRIDE.

RYAN WAS FIRST FIRED FROM THE CIA AND THEN REHIRED AFTER SOME CONGRESSMEN WENT TO BAT FOR HIM. THE CHARGE WAS THAT HE WAS GUILTY OF A "DEVIATION FROM REGULATIONS" WHEN HE MARRIED AN IRISH IMMIGRANT LASS WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE CIA TO COMPLETE A SECURITY CHECK OF HER BACKGROUND.

RYAN, THE SON OF MR. AND MRS. THOMAS RYAN OF SOUTH ORANGE, N.J., WAS NOTIFIED BY CIA ABOUT 12 DAYS AGO THAT "HIS SERVICES WERE NO

REP. HUGH J. ADDONIZIO (D-N.J.) PROMPTLY CALLED FOR A CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION OF RYAN'S FIRING. HE SAID "IT APPARED THAT THE SOLE REASON FOR THE DISMISSAL WAS THAT RYAN HAD MARRIED AN IRISH IMMIGRANT." THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE DEMANDED FRIDAY THE CIA REPORT "THE FACTS" BEHIND THE DISCHARGE.

IT WAS LEARNED THAT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN CARL VINSON (D-GA.) LATER MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CIA TO "DISCUSS THE CASE."

AFTER THE MEETING, RYAN RECEIVED WORD THAT HIS TERMINATION NOTICE WAS CANCELLED. HE WAS REINSTATED IN HIS JOB YESTERDAY. THE CIA GAVE NO REASON FOR THE REVERSAL. A CIA SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE AGENCY "DOES NOT MAKE PUBLIC THE REASON WHY IT HIRES AN INDIVIDUAL, OR THE REASONS FOR TERMINATING HIS EMPLOYMENT."

HOWEVER, INFORMED SOURCES TOLD THE UNITED PRESS THAT THE RYAN DISMISSAL WAS BASED ON A "DEVIATION FROM REGULATIONS."

RYAN HAD PUT IN AN APPLICATION TO HAVE HIS FUTURE BRIDE--PHILOMENA O'NEIL, FORMERLY OF THE CITY OF TRALEE, IRELAND--GIVEN A SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR ALL IMMIGRANT SPOUSES.

HE WAS "GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND" THE SECURITY CHECK HAD BEEN APPROVED. HOWEVER, THE SOURCES SAID, TWO DAYS BEFORE THE WEDDING, WHICH TOOK PLACE ABOUT A MONTH AGO IN NEW YORK, HE WAS TOLD THE CHECK "(HAD NOT BEEN APPROVED."

RYAN GOT MARRIED ANYWAY.

THE CIA GAVE HIM NOTICE OF DISMISSAL, AND THE PROTEST WAS MADE ON

ADDONIZIO TOLD THE UNITED PRESS RYAN'S REINSTATEMENT "SEEMS THE FAIR THING TO DO."

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